

Mackinac Bridge April Traffic Report

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Robert J. Sweeney, Executive Secretary of the Mackinac Bridge Authority, reported today that 267,077 vehicles crossed the Mackinac Bridge during the month of April. This represents a 8.5 percent increase when compared to the 246,102 crossings during April 2003. Fare revenue for the month was up 59.4 percent compared to last year, going from \$612,611 to \$976,690. This increase is due to the toll restructuring that was implemented on May 1, 2003. Commercial traffic for the month of April was up 0.2 percent.

Traffic for the first three months of 2004 is running 0.5 percent ahead of last year's pace; 952,371 vehicles versus 948,064 in 2003. Fare revenue in 2004 totals \$3,632,521 compared to \$2,412,926 last year, an increase of 50.5 percent. Commercial traffic for the first three months of 2004 is down 0.7 percent over the same period of last year.

	Traffic <u>2004</u>	Traffic <u>2003</u>	% <u>Inc.</u>	Fare Revenues <u>2004</u>	Fare Revenues <u>2003</u>	% <u>Change</u>
January	212,333	230,336	-7.8	\$830,055	\$601,273	38.0
February	232,806	226,199	2.9	\$890,450	\$581,708	53.1
March	240,155	245,427	-2.1	\$935,326	\$617,334	51.5
April	267,077	246,102	8.5	\$976,690	\$612,611	59.4